

**2005 National Boy Scout Jamboree  
Fort A. P. Hill  
Caroline County, VA**

Heat Related Event  
Final Situation Report  
28 July 2005  
New Information in **BOLD** type

**Situation:**

- High temperatures in mid 90's to 100 degrees combined with high humidity to create heat indices in the 110 to 115 degree range. National Weather Service issued excessive heat warning effective until 2200 hours, 27 July 05.
- National Weather Service issued Severe Thunderstorm Watch #693 at 1350 hours effective until 2200 hours, 27 July 05.
- President Bush scheduled to address Scouts during opening ceremonies 1900 hours, 27 July 05.
- 1200 hours – 12 ambulances pre-positioned in arena, 5 ambulances positioned outside arena
- 1600 hours – Scouts began marching to arena and VDEM Mobile Command Bus, EMS Dispatch, received multiple requests for ambulances to respond for Scouts and Adult Leaders with heat related illnesses.
- 1620 hours – Joint Task Force decided to continue with Presidential address and postpone remainder of opening ceremonies until Thursday, 28 July 05.
- 1700 hours – VDEM Joint Operations Center (JOC) representative, Vic Buisset, received request for buses to assist in transportation of Boy Scouts from arena due to heat related problems. Coordinated with Base Transportation to provide two air-conditioned buses, no outside resources called in.
- 1720 hours – Base maintenance preparing two Wilcox buildings as cooling shelters.
- 1741 hours – Arena show cancelled due to heat related problems and approaching severe weather.
- 1750 hours – Caroline County Emergency Services Coordinator, Ed Fuzy, declared Local Emergency to provide EMS support and other support needs. Base Command and Jamboree Director notified.
- 1825 hours – Caroline County Emergency Services Coordinator, Ed Fuzy, declared Mass Casualty Incident. Base Command and Jamboree Director notified.
- 1956 hours – EMS Rehab Center opened at Heth Dining Facility.

**Local and State Activities:**

- Base maintenance opened 7 cooling shelters on post.
- Boy Scouts opened 1 cooling shelter on post.
- Caroline County prepared two schools and staff for evacuation, if requested by Joint Task Force. Schools closed at 2001 hours.
- EMS support units and staff provided by the following localities at request of Caroline County Emergency Services:
  - Caroline County – 2 ambulances, 1 Heavy Rescue Squad

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- Spotsylvania County – 5 ambulances
  - King George County – 3 ambulances
  - Hanover County – 5 ambulances, 1 Battalion Chief
  - King and Queen County – 2 ambulances
  - Henrico County – 2 ambulances, 1 EMS Supervisor
  - Chesterfield County – 9 ambulances, 1 Battalion Chief, 1 EMS Supply truck
  - Essex County – 2 ambulances
  - City of Fredericksburg – 1 ambulance
  - City of Richmond – 4 ambulances and 1 Mass Casualty Trailer
  - Total 78 additional EMS providers
- 10 James River Company buses from Richmond and 1 Martz Company bus from Spotsylvania County were requested by Caroline County Emergency Services.
- Joint Task Force Medical Control provided the following summary report:
  - 300 plus patients to include Scouts, Leaders and Military
  - 253 patients treated on site
  - 53 patients treated off site at following medical facilities:
    - Mary Washington Hospital - 30
    - Medical College of Virginia – 20
    - Community Memorial – 2
    - Henrico Doctors – 1
  - All patients reported in “Stable Condition”
  - **10 Military Medevac missions. Patients transported to Medical College of Virginia**
- **EMS Control and Caroline County Emergency Services reported to VDEM JOC representative that EMS personnel and crews treated 1,500 to 2,000 patients in the arena area.**
- **Joint Task Force Command cancelled Opening Ceremony that had been re-scheduled for Thursday, 28 July 05.**

**Projected Future Actions:**

- **Caroline County Local Emergency Services Coordinator advised Local Emergency Declaration to remain in effect until end of Boy Scout Jamboree.**
- **Joint Task Force Command and JOC preparing for Closing Ceremony scheduled for 31 July 05.**
- VDEM continuing support to National Scout Jamboree.

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